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## Troopers Gather To Deliver Toys To Needy Children This Holiday Season

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — The Maryland State Police joined with other law enforcement agencies from across the state to ensure that there was plenty of joy to spread for all children during the holiday season.

This year marked the 20th consecutive year that Maryland State Police participated in the annual Kindertime Toy Drive. In the weeks leading up to Christmas, all 23 MSP barracks urged residents to stop by a local barrack or State Police Headquarters in Pikesville with an unwrapped toy.

The Kindertime Toy Drive is among the largest of its kind in the region. It was founded by longtime WMAR-TV videographer Pete O'Neal and his wife, Beverly. O'Neal said that this toy drive benefits children and parents who are in need.

It also benefits firefighters and police officers who get a chance to showcase the good works they do in the community. The toy drive is dedicated to fallen police officers and firefighters who have lost their lives in the line of duty and to the memory of O'Neal's mother, Jeromia O'Neal, who was murdered in 1993.

Troopers, along with allied law enforcement agencies throughout Maryland, filled up their patrol vehicles and on Dec. 20th, delivered the donated toys to children who really needed their spirits brightened.

Among the organizations that received the toys are the Kennedy Kreiger Institute, the Ronald McDonald House, the Bea Gaddy Family Center, the Agape Christian Center and area homeless shelters. Children and their families were on hand to greet police officers and share in the joys of the holiday season.



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## PHOTOS: Troopers Spread Holiday Cheer Through Shop With A Cop Events



From Cumberland to Berlin, troopers partnered with other law enforcement agencies, community groups and local businesses to ensure as many children as possible had a great Christmas. Through a variety of Shop With a Cop events, children had the chance to do some holiday shopping for themselves and family members while also developing positive relationships with law enforcement



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## Safety Tip of the Month

Approximately 27,000 people are injured or killed annually in Maryland because of distracted driving crashes. Under Jake's Law, a driver who causes serious injury or death while talking on a handheld cellphone or texting may receive a prison sentence of up to three years and a fine of up to \$5,000.



## As Year Ends, MSP Continues Enforcement Efforts To Combat Impaired Driving

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — Maryland State Police closed out 2018 again reminding motorists about the dangers of driving impaired, distracted or aggressively.

Troopers worked over the Christmas and New Year's holiday to ensure that all motorists got to and from their intended destinations safely.

From Christmas Eve to New Year's Day, the

Maryland State Police made 171 DUI arrests, 69 criminal arrests and 36 drug-related arrests. In addition, troopers issued 5,828 citations and 6,165 warnings, while also responding to 616 crashes and 10,527 calls for service.

Among those assisting with this effort was the State Police Impaired Driving Effort, or SPIDRE, team. The

targeted law enforcement program was launched in May 2013 and focuses on reducing alcohol related crashes in Maryland by targeting areas across the state with high crash rates involving impaired drivers.

As we enter 2019, troopers continue to urge motorists to avoid impaired driving and plan for a designated driver or a sober ride home.

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## Maryland State Police Remember The Life Of Former President George H.W. Bush

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) – Like the rest of the nation, the Maryland State Police mourned the passing last month of former President George Herbert Walker Bush.

The 41st president of the United States, who died Nov. 30, 2018 at the age of 94, served as Commander-in-Chief from 1989 to 1993.

It was during this time that tragedy struck the Maryland State Police when on March 29, 1990 Corporal Theodore D. “Ted” Wolf was fatally shot after making a traffic stop on northbound Interstate 95 at Route 175 in Jessup, Maryland.

Cpl. Wolf left behind his wife, Ginni, his sons, Ted, Greg, and Nick, and his parents, Jane and Leroy. Among the thousands of mourners who visited the



funeral home were President Bush and his wife, Barbara.

According to media reports at the time, “the president and Mrs. Bush flew by helicopter to Glen Burnie where they spoke with Wolf’s widow and his three children in a chapel at the Singleton Funeral

Home.”

According to the White House press secretary, when President Bush saw news reports of Cpl. Wolf’s murder, the president wrote a personal note to the family prior to making the low-key visit to his family.

Lt. Robert Johnson, com-

mander of the Waterloo Barrack at the time, said President Bush told Cpl. Wolf’s sons “....they should be proud of their dad because he was in law enforcement and that these days, it’s a particularly important career.” Lt. Johnson said the President left the funeral home with tears in his eyes.

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## MSP Arrests Former Private School Principal Suspected Of Raping Students In Late 1960s

(BARCLAY, Md.) – Maryland State Police arrested a Prince George's County man who is suspected of raping two minors at an Eastern Shore private school in the late 1960s.

Russell Isaac, 90, of Bowie, Maryland, is charged with multiple counts of rape and associated sex offenses. He was arrested the morning of Dec. 3 at his home by troopers from the Maryland State Police Forestville Barrack.

The investigation by the Maryland State Police Criminal Enforcement Division, Upper Shore Region, began in May 2016 when a female victim came forward and disclosed that in the late 1960's, she was a 14-year-old student at the W.C. Moffett School, which was located in the town on Barclay, Maryland in



Queen Anne's County and where Isaac was the principal.

Through the investigation, a second victim was identified and reported to have also been sexually assaulted by Isaac when she was 15 years old. According to the victims, the sexual assaults occurred at the school between 1966 and 1968.

Maryland State Police investigators believe there may be additional victims.

Anyone who has information on this case or this suspect is asked to contact the Centreville Barrack at 410-758-1101.

The Maryland State Police Criminal Enforcement Division, Upper Shore Region, is comprised of investigators assigned to the region. The region consists of Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Caroline and Dorchester Counties.

Troopers assigned to the unit investigate the most serious and/or time consuming crimes, while also providing investigative support to allied agencies throughout the region.



## Still Time To Register For Polar Bear Plunge

(ANNAPOLIS, Md.) – There's still time to sign up to participate in the 2019 Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge.

This year's Plungefest, which bene-

fits Special Olympics Maryland, is set for Jan. 24-26, 2019 at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis. To register as an individual or as a team, visit [plungemd.com](http://plungemd.com)

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## Decommissioning Ceremony Held For Cumberland Barrack

(CUMBERLAND, Md.) — As preparations continue to construct a new Cumberland Barrack, a decommissioning ceremony was held recently for the now-former barrack location.

Maryland State Police Superintendent Colonel William Pallozzi was joined by current and retired troopers and members of the community on Nov. 29 for the decommissioning ceremony for what had become the oldest barrack in the state. The now-former Cumberland Barrack, located at 1125 National Highway, had been in continual operation for 62 years.

Governor Larry Hogan and the Maryland General Assembly approved plans for a new state-of-the-art facility to replace the aging and outdated barrack. The new barrack will take about two years to complete and will be built on the site of the current barrack, requiring the temporary relocation of personnel, so the old barrack can be demolished. The troopers and civilian staff at the Cumberland Barrack have relocated temporarily to the Allegany County Emergency Operations Center, located at 11400 Pittsburgh Plate Glass Road SE, Cumberland, Md..

Lt. H.B. Martz and the other employees at the Cumberland Barrack appreciate the cooperation and hospitality of Allegany County officials and personnel who have graciously agreed to share their office space temporarily. Public safety services provided by the men and women of the Cumberland Barrack have continued uninterrupted.

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